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WARREN, PA.

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ADOLPH ZIMMER,
Bellwood, Neb., Apr. 13, 1895.

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A ROMANTIC LIFE ENDS.

The New York Herald of a recent
date says:
Two men were the only mourners at
the Woodlawn cemetery at the funeral
service over the body of Alexander
Collie, a man who a few years ago was
known in every European capital. In
the civil war he was a noted blockade
runner, who established headquarters in
Wilmington, N. C. Under the guns
of Fort Fisher, this "Blockade King"
carried on a thriving trade in the con-
traband articles of war, and exported
the cotton of the South. The house
which is established at Wilmington was
an abode of luxury. Never did cham-
pagne flow so freely, never was hospi-
tality more lavish than in the home of
the "Blockade King." There the leaders
of the Southern Confederacy met to
take counsel together.

Collie, who at one time could have
drawn his check for millions of dollars,
died a few days ago, almost destitute,
and his funeral expenses were paid by
a son of an old friend. He died at the
Colonial Hotel, on One Hundred and
Twenty-fifth street, on November 15th.
But for the fact that through some
friends he had been able to collect a
small amount on an old claim, he would
have been unable to pay his board bill.
There is no name on the coffin
plate, for he died under the assumed
name of George McNeil.

Wilmington, N. C., was noted in the
civil war for its blockade-runners, and
famous Fort Fisher at the mouth of
Cape Fear river, commanded then by
a young Virginia officer, Colonel Wil-
liam Lamb, was the favorite gateway
into the harbor. Among the English
houses who were engaged in blockade-
running, and owing by far the largest
fleet of splendid steamers, was that of
Alexander Collie & Co., the reputation
and high commercial standing of which
was at the time world-wide. Their
vessels were the fleetest, finest and
best-equipped for the service for which
they were designed, eluding the United
States blockading cruisers.

Alexander Collie's home in London, sit-
uated in Kensington Gardens, was one
of princely hospitality. It was gor-
geously fitted up, had a corps of liveried
servants, and the entertainments given
there were on the grandest and most ex-
travagant scale. This grand establish-
ment was made the home of the Con-
federate officials and friends of the
Confederacy in England, and Mr. Col-
lie had often as his guests ex-United
States Senator J. M. Mason, the Con-
federate Commissioner to England, and
Mr. Slidell, the Confederate representa-
tive to France. In Wilmington, N. C.,
the firm leased one of the handsomest
houses in that city.

Following their successful trade and
speculations during the war, Alexander
Collie & Co. went into the cotton and
cotton-goods trade, establishing branch
houses in Egypt, British India, Aus-
tralia, and South America. Operations
were begun on a gigantic scale, and in
an effort to corner cotton goods in all
the markets of the world, somewhere
in the early seventies, Collie made the
largest failure known in the history of
commerce. His liabilities, above his
available assets, were 40,000,000 pounds,
equivalent to \$200,000,000.

Alexander Collie, the head of the
house, who was held responsible for the
failure, had to flee from England, and
he was spirited away to the private
yacht of a friend, in which he sailed to
Barcelona, Spain. His flight from Eng-
land caused an immense sensation and
though pursued by creditors and de-
tectives, he successfully eluded them.
From Spain, he went direct to South
America, and in a few years reappeared
at the White Sulphur Springs, as a
traveling agent—George McNeil by
name. He was there recognized by
George Peterkin Grant, a wealthy
Englishman, who owns a handsome es-
tate, on which he built a beautiful resi-
dence, about two miles from the
Springs.

Mr. Grant kept Collie's secret, and
he remained in that vicinity for several
years. He afterwards went to Rich-
mond, where, owing to his knowledge
of finances, he became associated with
the late Colonel H. C. Parsons, James
G. Blaine, General Butler, and others,
in the Richmond and Allegheny rail-
road, which corporation acquired the
famous James river and Kanawha can-
al, in Virginia, and which had for
its road-bed the tow-path of the canal.
Prosperous for a time, he projected
other railroads, but misfortune seemed
to follow him, and finally he became
again embarrassed, and, comparatively
without means, went to New York.

One of the strangest things in con-
nection with the Blockade King was
that, although he lived in comparative
poverty in New York, his wife was
living in luxury in London. As Alex-
ander Collie, he was supposed to have
been lost at sea. He evidently made
some disposition of some property in
favor of his wife, and went to a life of
obscurity and poverty alone.

He was buried out of the Harlem
flat where he lived several months ago,
and went to live at the Colonial Hotel.
There he was found by several friends,
among them Richard Lamb, eldest son
of Colonel Lamb, of Fort Fisher. These
men experienced much difficulty in
aiding him on account of his pride.
Mr. Collie claimed to be the inventor
of the manufacture of glucose.

The wife of Mr. Leonard Wells, of

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cents per bottle by L. Stabler & Co.,
druggists.

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throat and stoppage of the nasal passages, and
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MONEY IS SCARCE THIS YEAR.

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Christmas Present

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and gas. Vacant lot contains 3,695 square
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An exquisite assortment of FINE IMPORTED CHINA NOVELTIES AND RUST FIG-
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I wish to call your attention to my large and various stock of WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.,
elected especially for the holidays. Read carefully over the following list which mentions a
few articles, and see if it does not contain something you may need:

GENUINE DIAMOND RINGS \$1.50 to \$30.00
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A few pieces of Genuine Cut Glass which is made in Virginia, and for beauty of design,
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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

—AT—

PERRY'S!

YOUR THOUGHTS ARE SET CHRISTMASWARD. The planning has already begun.

Each love tie will be re-commenced by some token—great or small. What to give to each
is the engaging question. Then it will be sensible—and all the more appreciated.

There is a great deal to be gained by taking this matter in hand early. The assortment
will be better—you can go leisurely about your buying if you undertake it before the jostling
mobs have upset things—and the lines have become broken.

We are ready—with our part—a most complete stock of Holiday Novelties—so you can
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natural handles, 75c and \$1.

28-inch English Glorias, natural stick \$1
and \$1.25.

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den, crystal, mourning, French horn and nat-
ural handles, \$1.50.

28-inch Silk Glorias, with natural handles,
\$1.50.

26 and 28-inch Umbrellas, with novelty
mottos, \$1 to \$1.2.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2c
to 25c and 50c.

Men's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs,
25c to 50c each.

Ladies' Japanese Silk Initial Handkerchiefs,
18c to 35c each.

Ladies' Japanese Silk Initial Handkerchiefs,
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Children's Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes,
15c to 60c a box.

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\$3 a box.

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pair in a box, \$1.50 to \$3.

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Cuffs 15c a pair.

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white, \$5 to \$2.85; Traveling Satchels,
\$1.60 to \$7.50.

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Metal Pin Trays, 10c to 50c; Metal Boxes,
for matches, hair-pins, safety-pins, etc., 25c;
Metal Jewel Boxes, 25c up; Manicure Sets,
in trays and boxes, 95c up; Bouquet Holders, 25c
up; Inkstands, 25c up; Pocket Match Safes,
25c up; Smoking Sets, \$1.35 and up; Metal
Covered Perfume Bottles, 25c up; Hand Mir-
rors, 25c up; Stand Mirrors, \$2.25 up; Knick-
Knack Boxes, 25c up; Ash Receivers,
25c up; Picture Frames, 25c up; Wink
Brooms and Holders, 50c up; Odor Disks,
75c up; Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, 95c
up; Scrap Baskets, 45c up; Fancy Baskets,
10c up; Work Baskets, 35c; Satin Lined
Work Baskets, 50c up; Leather Purse, 5c to
50c; Pocketbooks 25c to \$5.50; Combination
Card Cases and Pocketbooks, 50c to
\$3.25; Card Cases, 50c to \$3.58; Letter
Cases, 50c to \$3; Writing Tablets, \$1.15 to
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We will put all Silk Hosiery in a box, free.

We will put each pair of Holiday Suspenders in a box, free.

Each Silk Dress Pattern will be put in a fancy box, free.

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With each pair of Gloves we will give a neat white Metal Buttoner.

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